CAPSULE SUMMARY
CT - 1352
Lillian S. Hance House
1850 Wilson Road
Huntingtown, Calvert County, Maryland
c. 1910
Private

The Lillian S. Hance House is located west of Wilson Road facing east. The house is set back from Wilson Road approximately 80 feet, and is surrounded to the north, south, and west by open fields. The property is fenced; the land is sloped and rolls to the west. Mature shrubs and trees are located throughout the property. A half-circle gravel driveway is located in front of the house. A non-contributing garage and a modern shed are located in the southern corner of the property. The two-story, three-by-two bay vernacular house was built in the early-twentieth century. Set on a brick foundation, the house has been rewrapped with modern materials and is clad in vinyl siding.

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SUMMARY

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DESCRIPTION

Main house

The two-story, three-by-two bay vernacular house was built in the early-twentieth century. Set on a brick foundation, the house has been rewrapped with modern materials and is clad in vinyl siding. A steeply pitched side-gable roof with a thin boxed cornice caps the house. The roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The exterior brick chimney with corbelled cap on the south end of the main block was encapsulated by the addition off the south end. The house is of wood-frame construction. The fenestration on the east elevation is symmetrical with two single, one-over-over, double-hung vinyl sash windows on the first story and two on the second story. The windows have wood sills and framings and wood louvered shutters. Two single, one-over-one, double-hung vinyl sash windows on the first story of the north elevation have different sizes and are located asymmetrically, while the two windows on the second floor are identical and symmetrically placed. There is a small single, one-over-one, double-hung vinyl sash window on the peak of the gable roof. The unglazed and paneled wood entry door is located in the center bay of the east façade flanked by two four-light and one-panel sidelights. The entry is protected by a three-bay, one-story full-length porch with a shed-roof clad in asphalt shingles and supported by large wood posts. The porch is accessed by one concrete step with a metal railing. There is unadorned arched trim between the posts.

There are three additions to the main house. The first is a two-by-two bay, one-story addition off the south elevation that is clad like the house and has a side-gable roof clad in asphalt shingles. The windows on the addition are single, one-over-one, double-hung vinyl sash on the east and south elevations, and there is a paired one-over-one, double-hung, wood sash window on the second story of the south elevation. A wood paneled door with one large light and a modern storm door opens on the west portion of the south elevation. The entry is protected by a one-story, one-bay, front-gable roof porch. The porch is clad in vinyl siding and supported by two wood posts. The entry door is accessed by three brick stairs off a patio with a wood railing.

The two-by-two bays, one-story, second addition is located off the west elevation of the main house. It has a shed-roof of lower pitch that is clad with asbestos shingles and overhanging eaves. Windows on the south elevation are single three one-over-one double-hung vinyl sash windows with casing and framing.

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Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

SUMMARY

Calvert County encompasses a narrow piece of land between the Chesapeake Bay to the east, and the Patuxent River to the west and south. It is surrounded by water on all sides except to the north where it adjoins Anne Arundel County. Calvert County is the smallest of the five counties of Southern Maryland and fourth oldest in Maryland. Although the County once stretched to the headwaters of the Patuxent River in modern-day Frederick County, it now measures only 218 square miles, making it the smallest of all Maryland counties. High cliffs characterize Calvert County's bay side shoreline. Conversely, the numerous creeks along the Patuxent River facilitated maritime traffic, servicing the County's richest agricultural lands.

Wilson Road runs parallel to the Chesapeake Bay and is bound to the north by Plum Point Road and to the south by Emmanuel Church Road. Huntingtown and Prince Frederick are the two largest towns in close proximity. Lillian S. Hance House is located on Wilson Road south of Paul Hance Road.

Ornate and modest twentieth century homesteads, tobacco barns, farm outbuildings, and tenant houses are linked by Wilson Road, which has been a prominent local thoroughfare since the mid-nineteenth century. Other significant landscape features along Wilson Road in the mid-nineteenth century include a steamship landing, a wharf and a windmill located at Plum Point.² Dunn Road is the only other road that dates to the mid-nineteenth century. Dunn Road branches off Wilson Road and originally extended all the way east to the Bay and as far west as the Freeland properties.³ Today, Dunn Road ends at Suit's Chance, a farm in a County Agricultural Preservation District.⁴ In historic maps dating to the mid-nineteenth century, many large farm properties stand along Wilson Road including Letchworth's Chance (CT-25), the Ireland Farm (CT-26), the Owen H. Jones

¹ Stein, Charles Francis. "A History of Calvert County." Schneidereith & Sons: Baltimore, 1977: 1.

² 1865 Martenet Atlas of Maryland.

³ Morris Suit Interview. Oral History Interview with Amy Bolasky Skinner for Wilson Road Historic Context Study, 10 March 2009.

⁴ Morris Suit Interview.

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property _	4.39	-	
Acreage of historical setting	4.39	_	
Quadrangle name	Prince Frederick	Quadrangle scale:	1:24,000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bound to the northeast by Parcel 11, the Bauers property, to the northwest by agricultural preservation district, to the east by Wilson Road, to the south by a dirt access road, which separates the property from Parcel 185.

11. Form Prepared by

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organization	The Ottery Group	date	August 10 th , 2009		
street & number	3420 Morningwood Drive	telephone	301.562.1975		
city or town	Huntingtown	state	MD		

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The third addition is located off the northwest corner of the house. The one-by-two bay, one-story addition is clad like the main house. There is a ribbon of three single-pane fixed windows on the north elevation of the addition.

Shed

A one-by-one bay, one-story, modern pre-fabricated shed is located to the south of the main house. A gambrel roof caps the shed. The shed is clad in asphalt shingles. Based on its form and materials, the shed is of modern construction, and does not contribute to the significance of the historic property.

Garage

A two-by-one bay, one-story, garage is located southwest of the main house. Set on a raised concrete foundation, the structure is clad in vinyl siding. A front gable roof caps the garage. The paneled garage door with a five-light transom opens on the east elevation. The entry is protected by a shed-roof portico accessed by an asphalt driveway. The south elevation has single, six-over-six, double-hung sash windows. Based on its form and materials, the garage is also of modern construction, which is not contributing to the significance of the historic property.

Barn

The barn is located to the southwest of the main house. The barn has a shallow pitched, front-gable roof with two shed-roof wings on the north and south elevations. The barn is of wood-frame construction. The central block of the barn is two-story, clad in vertical weatherboard sidings. The barn has a small rectangular louvered vent and a paired of vertical plank door on the second story of the east elevation. The shed wings are clad vinyl singles. The barn has two sliding doors on the east and west end. The barn is currently used to house animals including donkey and horses.

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Farm (CT-476), the Baden-Anderson Farm (CT-27), and a modest side-parlor house known as the Plank House (CT-257).⁵

The Wilson Road area can be found on maps dating to the seventeenth century. Augustine Hermann placed Plum Point on his map in 1675, and depicted a number of plantations along the shores of the Chesapeake Bay and the Patuxent River. Later, in the mid-nineteenth century, the Martenet map shows Plum Point in excellent detail. In 1892, the United States Geological Survey depicts Plum Point and Wilson Road, and subsequent modifications to this map by the USGS reveals various changes on the landscape, including the addition to new structures and the alteration of roadways, including Plum Point Road. For example the 1910 USGS Topographic Map shows three improved roads extending east from Wilson Road toward the Bay. The northernmost road is Patience Place. The Ireland family farmstead (CT-26) is located along this road. Although the property and buildings were visible in the mid-nineteenth century, Patience Place does not appear mapped until about the early-twentieth century. The next road to the south is Angelica Drive. The Owen H. Jones family farm (CT-476) is located at the end of this road. The Owen H. Jones farm can trace its roots to the Hance and Wilson families back to the mid-nineteenth century. The southernmost road is Camp Kaufmann Road. The Agnes Buckler House (CT-478), visible on the 1910 topographic map, is located at the end of Camp Kaufmann Road on a dirt trace.

The most significant change to the area occurs in the mid-twentieth century. The 1932 US Geological Survey Topographical Map shows subdivisions and new roads along Wilson Road as Calvert County connects with surrounding counties. Letchworth's Chance (CT-25) is subdivided and the Neeld Estates appears with many private properties clustered along the Bay's shoreline. Additionally, on this map Dunn Road no longer connects to Stinnett Road. Since the 1930s Dunn Road has only been accessible from Wilson Road. A new road, branches east off Wilson Road, south of Patience Place. Paul Hance Road is the location of the original Paul Hance House (CT-474) as well as the former H. Oscar Bowen House (CT-473). Although they no are longer standing, both properties were visible in the mid-nineteenth century.

The last major alteration to the roads connecting to Wilson Road was documented in the 1939 Topographic Map surveyed by the US Department of Agriculture and also appears on the current Topographic Map for

⁵ A.D. Bache, United States Coast Survey, Western Shore of Chesapeake Bay, 1847. Available at the Calvert Marine Museum.
⁶ Topographic Map of Prince Frederick, Maryland Quadrangle, United States Geological Survey, 1900. Available at the Calvert Marine Museum.

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⁸ Topographic Map of Prince Frederick, Maryland Quadrangle, United States Geological Survey, 1932. Available at the Calvert Marine Museum.

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Wilson Road.⁹ The map shows the original northern curvature of Plum Point Road; however, it also demonstrates the changed and improved Plum Point Road running due east towards the Bay and the wharf ruins. The modern road takes this path.

The history of the Wilson Road area can be defined by two overarching themes: Agriculture and Transportation. The movement of goods, such as tobacco, was facilitated by water transportation that linked individual plantations to shipping centers in the County and around the Chesapeake Bay. Later, in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, the development of inland road networks became essential to the commercial success of Calvert's plantations.

Water transportation had always been the most effective means for shipping and receiving goods throughout Calvert County. Until the twentieth century roads in Calvert County were rural and unimproved; steamships took goods to places like Baltimore to be sold or shipped overseas. "The creation of regular commercial and passenger service on the Bay helped boost the local economy. The most successful of the early attempts to create a regular shipping line in Calvert County was established by Captain George Weems in 1817. The Weems Steamship Line was the principal carrier between the Port of Baltimore and southern Maryland."

In the Wilson Road vicinity there was a wharf at Plum Point. The first wharf at Plum Point was located 250 to 300 feet north of the present Plum Point Road. It was relocated further south in 1893 and rebuilt three quarters of a mile long, "L-shaped" and one of the longest on the Chesapeake Bay. The location of the wharf was one catalyst for development along Wilson Road. Areas around the wharf became gathering places where locals could watch the ships load and use the private beaches. Some families allowed the public to park on their land while others created private beach cottages for rent. The Wilson Store (later the Dixon Store) was a combined store and post office often frequented by locals and visitors alike. Plum Point was a bustling area along Wilson Road until August of 1933 when a hurricane devastated the farms and the crop along Wilson Road. The hurricane demolished the warehouse as well as most of the pier.

Wilson Road's association with agriculture can be seen in the landscape and found in the local relationships of residents. One result of the reliance on tobacco is seen in the area of Calvert County along the Bay, notably a lack of central towns, as well as "the significant role that elite planters had in the political and social life in the

⁹ Topographic Atlas of Maryland Counties of Calvert Charles and St. Mary's, United States Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service, 1939. Available at the Calvert Marine Museum and Topographic Map of Prince Frederick, Maryland Quadrangle, United States Geological Survey, 1993. Available through Terrain Navigator.

¹⁰ Dames & Moore, "Historic Sites Context Study and National Register Evaluation." The Calvert County Historic District Commission, 1995:4 and Stein 1977:169.

¹¹ Eshelman & Associates, "Calvert County Steamboat Wharves and Landings: Architectural Level Survey and Inventory." The Calvert County Historic District Commission, 1996 and Carpenter, Evelyn B. "A History of Carpenter's Beach." Calvert County Marine Museum: Unpublished manuscript, 1984.

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community, and the complex interrelationships between the various classes and races living together within the community." Wilson Road, an example of the broader characterization of Calvert County, was a prime location for tobacco farming, a "combination of favorable soil and topography, good river transportation and fortunate economic considerations contributed to Calvert County's being overwhelmingly agricultural from its beginning, with tobacco the principal cash crop." Families settled along Wilson Road to live and grow tobacco. Wilson Road has no town center nearby with the closest town being Huntingtown, 9 miles to the northwest, or Prince Frederick 4.5 miles to the southwest. Being in such close proximity, all the families along Wilson Road socialized with, went to school with, worshipped with and often married one another. Many of the current residents along Wilson Road have surnames such as Bassford (later Carpenter), Wilson, Hance, Jones, Ireland. The expansive layout of family farms along the landscape of Wilson Road highlights the way Calvert County was settled as a result of tobacco farming. Tobacco would remain the chief crop and one of the defining features of the County until well into the late twentieth century.

After World War II with improvements to transportation a "dramatic change to the character and landscape of Calvert County" occurred. The area is now linked to the Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area and real estate prices have increased while demands for tobacco have decreased. With properties along Wilson Road no longer focused on tobacco farming tenants have moved away and dwellings are vacant. Many family homesteads have been subdivided to provide land and houses for current and future generations.

Despite modern changes to Calvert County, the agricultural landscape along Wilson Road is not so altered that one cannot discern the historic character. The Wilson Road area can be characterized as a rural farming community whose origins are firmly rooted in the production of tobacco. From its first settlements at places like Angelica in the 1600s, farming was the primary economic focus that helped establish the community along Wilson Road. In many ways, the community remains largely unaltered, with descendants of nineteenth century settlers still living in the area today, namely the Degges at Letchworth's Chance (CT-25), the Carpenters at Bellcar (CT-472), the Ireland farm (CT-26), the Hances at Paul Hance Farm (CT-474), the Hances and Jones at Owen H. Jones Farm (CT-476), and the Bucklers at Agnes H. Buckler Farm (CT-478 and S. Chester Buckler Farm CT-492). These families continue to leave their legacy along the landscape through the buildings, structures, and vistas that have historically characterized Calvert County.

The Hance family has a long history in Calvert County and extensive property holdings along Wilson Road, known as Angelica. Among the early Quakers of New Jersey, John Hance first came to Maryland about 1659. Benjamin Hance, the grandson of John Hance, owned a great amount of land in Calvert County. He resided at

¹² Kulikoff, Allan, "Tobacco and Slaves." University of North Carolina: Chapel Hill, 1986 and Dames & Moore 1995: 5.

¹³ Dames & Moore 1995: 4.

¹⁴ Dames & Moore 1995: 17.

¹⁵ Stein, 1977: 268.

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Overton, a plantation on the east side of the main highway between Huntingtown and Prince Frederick. The descendants of John Hance married into prominent families and settled across Calvert County. When Wilson Road Hance family patriarch Richard Hance died in the mid-nineteenth century he owned hundreds acres of farmland (Angelica) along Wilson Road, south of the Ireland/Bassford Farm.

The Lillian S. Hance House was originally a part of the larger parcel that sisters, Rebecca Hance and Henrietta Wilson, owned at the turn of the century. In 1922, heirs and nieces Mary Rebecca Hance Bowen and Benjamina L. Hance Lyles sold two parcels, one 85 acres and one 120 acres to Lillian L. Hance and Richard Hance. In 1932, after Richard's death, Lillian L. sold 120 acres to her son Paul L. Hance and his wife Lillian S. Hance. In 1968 widow, Lillian S. Hance sold some acreage to Robert E. Maglothin and Mary L. Maglothin. In 1972 the Maglothins sold 9.89 acres to Elwood H. Gardner and Lois D. Garnder, his wife; they sold the property in 1977 to Joseph C. Bauer and Julia G. Bauer. In 1981 the Bauer's subdivided the 9.89 into two parcels, Lot 1 4.39 acres and Lot 2 5.34 acres. The Bauer's have retained ownership of Lot 2, while the Lillian S. Hance property is comprised of the 4.39 acres of Lot 1. In 1997 Edward B. Mattingly and his wife, Sandra E. Mattingly purchased Lot 1, 4.39 acres, they sold the property to Thomas Peterson in 2005. In 2008 Thomas Peterson transferred the deed's ownership from himself to Thomas Peterson and his wife, Paulette Peterson. The Lillian S. Hance property is comprised of a house and barn located on Lot 1. Little is known about the construction date of the buildings, including for whom the house was built.

Although it used to belong to a larger parcel, the land remains one contiguous piece of property with a main house and a donkey barn. The property is bound to the northeast by Parcel 11, the Bauers property, to the northwest by agricultural preservation district, to the east by Wilson Road, to the south by a dirt access road, which separates the property from Parcel 185.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

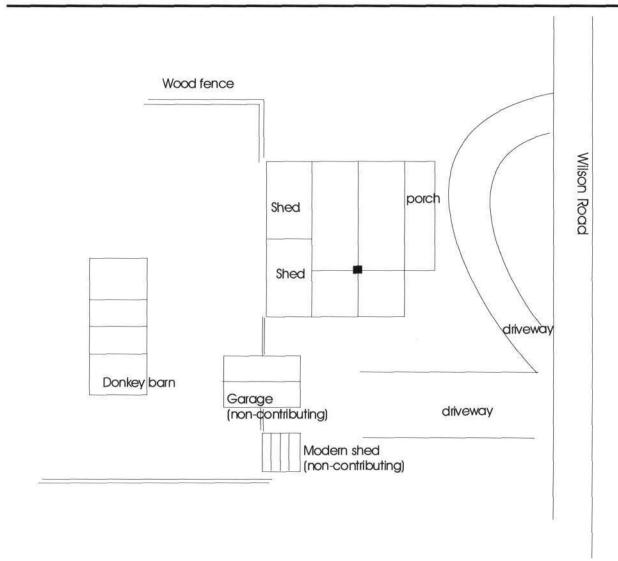
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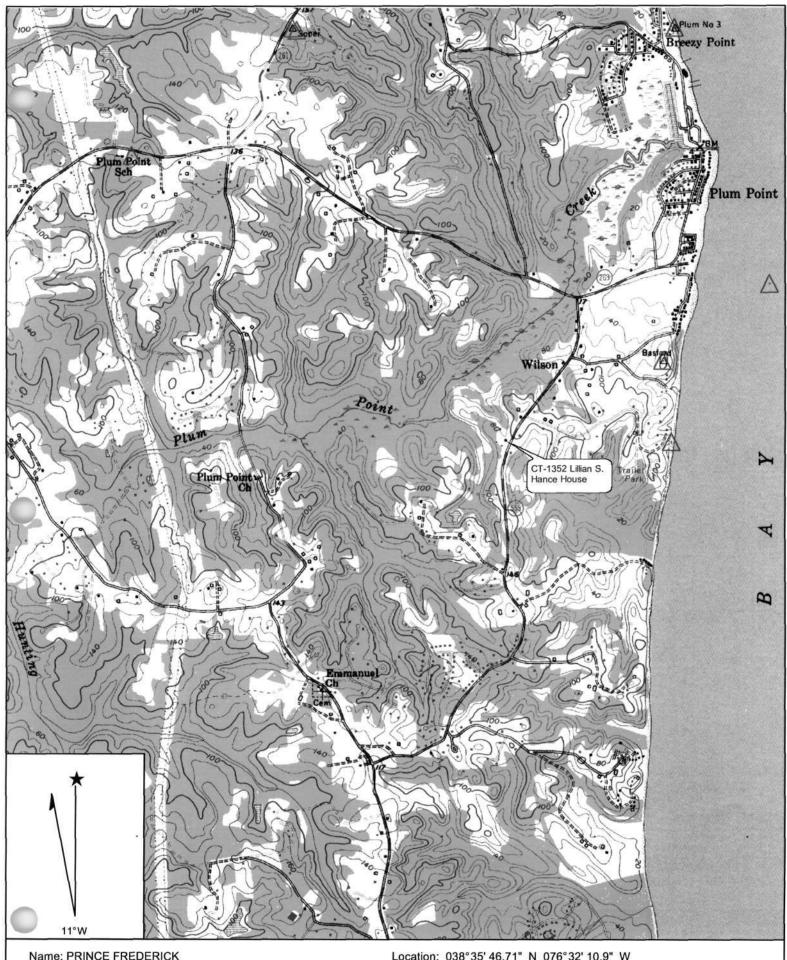
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Scale: 1 inch equals 2000 feet

Location: 038°35' 46.71" N 076°32' 10.9" W Caption: CT-1352 Lillian S. Hance House 1850 Wilson Road Huntingtown, MD



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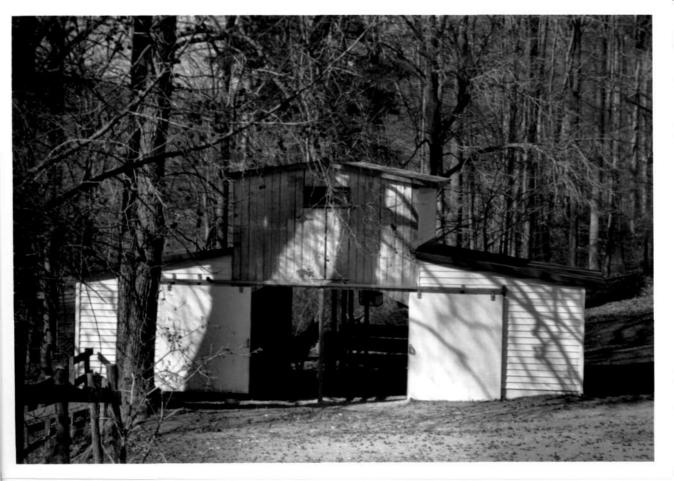


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